MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The member is referred to the answer to parts (*a*) and (*b*) of interpellation No. 245 by Mr. Ittoop Itteechan.

Burial ground near Savakotta Bridge.

247. MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that much annoyance and inconvenience are caused to the many people who daily pass along the Alleppey-Shertallai road, on account of the existence of a burial ground close by the road, north of the Savakotta bridge; and

(*b*) whether it was not before the opening of the Shertallai-Alleppey road that this burial ground was opened in its present (15-11-1104) site?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): ഈ ബറിയൽ ഗ്രൗണ്ട് ഇപ്പോഴം ഇരിക്കുന്ന സ്ഥലത്തുനിന്നും മാറി സ്ഥാപിക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നു വല്ല റിപ്പോർട്ടും ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു കിട്ടീട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): ഉണ്ട്.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*). ആ റിപ്പോർട്ട് ഏതു നിലയിലിരിക്കുന്നു?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): ആലോചനയിൽ ഇരിക്കുന്നു.

Demarcation of porambokes lying near forests, etc.

248. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Are the Government aware that, since the boundaries of the *poramboke* lands lying near forest streams and rocks adjoining the fields and dry lands situated in the vicinity of the regions near the hills could not be distinguished at present, the ryots in the valleys unknowingly make slight encroachments upon *poramboke* land while effecting improvements on their wet and dry lands and that they are put to great hardship and loss on that account?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Government are not aware of any such instances.

Fixing of taravila by Tahsildars.

249. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): In regard to the registry of lands in the names of the persons who have made improvements thereon, will the Government be pleased to state whether the Tahsildars fix extremely varying amounts of *taravila* for similar lands comprised even in the same survey number, and, if so, the reason for the same?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): *Taravila* on *puduval* lands is fixed with due regard to their situation with reference to roads, rivers, markets and the like as required by Rule 9 of the *Puduval Rules*, dated the 25th February 1923. If lands in the same survey number are similar in all respects, varying rates of *taravila* are not likely to be fixed by Tahsildars. When big minor circuits are divided into several sub-numbers, the rates may sometimes vary, if their situation, fertility, etc., are not the same.

Water scarcity in Shencotta Town.

250. **MR. H. B. MAHOMED ROWTHER** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received any scheme from the Shencotta Municipal Council for remedying the water scarcity in the town?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): No. The President, Municipal Council, Shencotta, reports that the Council has not yet arrived at a definite scheme in regard to the supply of good drinking water to the town and that the question is engaging its attention.

Appointment of clerks in the Registration Department.

251. **MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI** (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of acting clerks who are working at present (15-11-1104) in the Registration Department and who have passed the Registration Entrance Examination;

(*b*) the number of those who have passed this examination and acted as clerks, but, who are now (15-11-1104) out of employment;

(*c*) the number of those who are acting as clerks now (15-11-1104), but, who have not passed this examination;

(*d*) whether those who have not passed this examination have been appointed as clerks permanently or temporarily, when those who have passed the said examination and have had previous acting service are available;

(*e*) if so, the number of hands entertained in each case; and

(*f*) the reasons for making such appointments?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 11.

(*b*) 32.

(*c*) 30.

(*d*) Yes, only as temporary clerks.

(*e*) 27 temporary.

(*f*) In order to satisfy the demand for communal representation in the Department, men with English School Leaving Certificate qualification had to be chosen in the absence of men with Registration Entrance qualification in particular communities.

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